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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : Michael R. Clark and Detlev F. Smith
FOR : **REVERSIBLE FOOT PEDAL FOR AN
EXERCISE APPARATUS AND METHOD
THEREFOR**
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on August 15, 2006. A one month extension of time is enclosed herewith. The Examiner restricted the invention into two groups as follows:

1. Claims 1-20, drawn to an apparatus/a (reversible) foot pedal, classified in class 74, subclass 594.6.
2. Claims 21 and 22, drawn to a method for using a foot pedal with an exercise device, classified in class 482, subclass 57.

Further, the Examiner requested Applicant to elect a distinct species namely, the embodiment shown in Figures 1-11 or the species shown in Figures 12-20.

Applicant elects Group 1, claims 1-20 with traverse. Further, Applicant elects the species of Figures 12-20. Applicant states that claim 1 is currently generic for Group 1 as stated by the Examiner in paragraph 8 of the Restriction Requirement.

If anything is further needed, please contact the undersigned at the number below.

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